

Sustainability News: City of Hillsboro takes the Workplace Charging Challenge

If you drive an electric vehicle (EV) and need to “re-fuel”, Hillsboro is the place to be. The City installed the first public EV charging station in town in 2009. With 35 EV charging stations now available, including a Level 3 DC “fast charger” that will charge an EV in 30 minutes, Hillsboro is leading the charge with electrified transportation.

In addition to units installed to charge City vehicles, City-installed charging stations can be found at the following locations:

- Main Street in front of the Civic Center (150 E. Main Street)
- Civic Center parking lots, 150 E. Main St. & 300 W. Main St. (including the fast charge unit)
- Intermodal Transit Facility (8th and Baseline)
- Gordon Faber Recreation Complex (4450 NW 229th Avenue)
- Main Library (2850 NE Brookwood Parkway)
- Jackson Bottom north viewing area (996 S 1st Ave Hillsboro Highway)
- Walters Cultural Arts Center (527 E. Main Street)

The charging stations provide the infrastructure support for EVs so people will be able to “charge up” at no cost. More information on these units can be found [here](#).



Hillsboro has been recognized for these efforts, including recognition from the National League of Cities at their national City Showcase conference in Boston in 2012. Now, the U.S. Department of Energy is recognizing Hillsboro’s efforts to provide EV charging for employees through the [Workplace Charging Challenge](#). DOE launched the Workplace Charging Challenge in January 2013, with the goal of increasing the number of American employers offering workplace charging by tenfold in the next five years. For more information about Hillsboro’s sustainability program, go to Hillsboro-oregon.gov/sustainability.